



Public Minutes

MEETING NO. P23-06

DATE OF MEETING: Thursday, June 29, 2023
9:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Community Room, HRPS Headquarters

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeff Knoll (Chair)
Curt Allen, Ingrid Hann, Jane McKenna

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Stephen Tanner
Deputy Chief Roger Wilkie
Deputy Chief Jeff Hill
Paul Lavergne, Director, Corporate Services
Tracy Dottori, Director, Human Resources
Bill Payne, Director, Information Technology
Adam Woods, Manager, Information Technology
Inspector Glenn Mannella
S/Sgt. Tamara Sandy
Ellie Bale, President, HRP
Philip Wright, General Counsel, HRP
Fred Kaustinen, Chief Governance Officer
Kimberly Calderbank, Board Media Consultant
Chris Lallouet, Yellow Robot Communications
Graham Milne, Board Secretary

GUESTS: David Tilley, Ministry of the Solicitor General

1. GENERAL

The Chair noted that Navneet Sekhon's term as a Member of the Board has concluded and thanked her for her service.



1.1 Regrets

Councillor L. Kearns, Councillor C. Somerville.

1.2 Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest

The Chair called upon Board members to declare any conflicts of interest they might have on the agenda. No declarations were made.

1.3 Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting P23-05 held Friday, June 2, 2023

Moved by: C. Allen

Seconded by: J. McKenna

“THAT the Minutes of Meeting P23-05 held Friday, June 2, 2023 be adopted as circulated.”

Carried.

2. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

2.1 Crime Stoppers Update - Jan Wescott, Chair, and Colin Jessome, Executive Director

Colin Jessome and Jan Wescott provided a verbal update on the work of Crime Stoppers in supporting the Halton Regional Police Service including their origin, history and a focus on their volunteer program. It was noted that Crime Stoppers receives between 100-300 tips monthly.

Moved by: C. Allen

Seconded by: J. McKenna

“THAT the update from Crime Stoppers be received.”

Carried.

2.2 Special Investigations Unit (SIU) - Det. Paul Greg

Detective Paul Greg gave a presentation on the mandate and activity of the Special Investigations Unit which is engaged when there is an incident involving Service officers that involves a death or serious injury to an individual, discharge of firearms, or off duty incidents (such as the exercise of police powers or using police equipment while off duty). He gave an overview of the investigation process and the Board's role in such matters.



Moved by: I. Hann
Seconded by: C. Allen

“THAT the Special Investigations Unit presentation be received.”

Carried.

2.3 Operation Northern Exposure - Deputy Chief Roger Wilkie

Deputy Chief Roger Wilkie gave a presentation on Operation Northern Exposure which is a liaison program involving officers from the GTA including Halton visiting the Fort Albany First Nation and working with their police services, as part of continuing efforts toward Truth and Reconciliation. Detective Constable Dan Jaworski and Constable Amanda Malloy provided accounts of their experiences as part of the program.

Moved by: J. McKenna
Seconded by: C. Allen

“THAT the Operation Northern Exposure presentation be received.”

Carried.

The Board recessed at 10:56 a.m. and resumed at 11:10 a.m.

3. INFORMATION REPORTS

3.1 CGO23-06-I-03 - Strategic Planning Update

Fred Kaustinen, Chief Governance Officer, gave a presentation on the Strategic Planning Process as articulated in the report.

Moved by: C. Allen
Seconded by: J. McKenna

“THAT Report No. CGO23-06-I-03 – Strategic Planning Update be received for information.”

Carried.

4. RECOMMENDATION REPORTS



4.1 CGO23-06-R-02 - A-04 - Community Fund Policy

Moved by: C. Allen
Seconded by: I. Hann

“THAT the proposed attachment to policy A04 – Community Fund Policy be approved.”

Carried.

4.2 P23-06-R-13 - Accountability Mechanism for Survivors of Sexual Assault

Moved by: I. Hann
Seconded by: J. McKenna

“THAT the Halton Police Board receive and review this annual report and update on the activities of the Sexual Assault Advisory Committee in their ongoing mandate of ensuring a mechanism of accountability for survivors of sexual assault.”

Carried.

4.3 P23-06-R-14 - Limited Tender - Kyzach Inc. - NG9-1-1 Project Management Services

Moved by: C. Allen
Seconded by: I. Hann

“THAT the Halton Police Board authorize a limited tender contract extension with Kyzach Inc. for a one-year term for the provision of Next Generation 9-1-1 project management services with a total contract value of \$290,184.00 (including disbursements and HST tax).”

Carried.

4.4 SEC23-07-R-01 - Update to Fees and Charges By-law

Moved by: C. Allen
Seconded by: I. Hann

“THAT By-Law 2020-3, being a by-law to govern Fees and Charges, be amended as set out in the attachment to Report No. SEC23-07-R-01.”

Carried.



4.5 Auto Theft Advocacy Approach

Moved by: J. Knoll

Seconded by: I. Hann

"WHEREAS, automobile theft continues to be a serious issue in Canada, with thefts exceeding \$1 billion in value having occurred in Canada in 2022 (according to Équité Association);

WHEREAS, Ontario experienced in excess of 30,000 auto thefts in 2022, equating to more than 3 every hour;

WHEREAS, within Halton itself, there were 1,302 reported auto thefts in 2022, marking an alarming rise of 49.3% from the previous year and in the first three months of 2023 vehicle thefts were at 421 which is a 77.7% increase over the same time frame in 2022;

WHEREAS auto theft is a national concern that requires the collective commitment of the government, the automobile industry, law enforcement agencies, the insurance industry, and other stakeholders;

WHEREAS the Halton Police Board acknowledges the tireless efforts of all law enforcement agencies and recognizes the considerable investments made by automobile manufacturers and the insurance industry in vehicle security systems and theft prevention;

WHEREAS each stolen auto represents a significant threat to the health and safety of first responders, and to members of the public, given the reckless manner in which they are driven, and the wanton disregard for public safety;

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has contributed significantly towards combating this crime with the provision of \$52 Million towards enforcement initiatives and education;

WHEREAS there still exists a pressing need for more advanced and widespread preventive measures and strategies to curb the rising trend of auto thefts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Halton Police Board hereby appeals to:

1. *The Government of Canada, to:*

 - a. *Develop and implement stricter regulations on the trade and handling of stolen automobiles and automobile parts;*



- b. Provide more robust support to national and local law enforcement agencies in the form of funding, resources, and legislation to combat auto theft;*
 - c. Promote public awareness campaigns focused on prevention measures and the societal costs associated with auto theft;*
 - d. Leverage the Canadian Border Services Agency (CBSA) authorities and powers to inspect shipment containers before they leave The Port of Montreal or other Ports in Canada, and also ensure the involvement of the RCMP in assisting in doing so at major national and international ports;*
 - e. Encourage collaboration and intelligence sharing between law enforcement, customs, and port authorities to increase the efficacy of interception efforts;*
 - f. Enact legislation requiring the inclusion of theft-deterrent technologies in new vehicle models as a condition of import, to ensure that all vehicles entering Canada have appropriate security measures in place;*
- 2. Automobile Manufacturers, to:*
 - a. Increase investment in developing and implementing innovative, theft-deterrent technologies in new vehicle models;*
 - b. Collaborate with law enforcement agencies and other relevant stakeholders in sharing information and best practices regarding vehicle security;*
 - c. Establish robust tracking systems and rapid response protocols for stolen vehicles to increase the chances of recovery and prosecution;*
- 3. Insurance Industry, to:*
 - a. Collaborate with automobile manufacturers to incentivize the inclusion of theft-deterrent technologies in vehicles through reduced premium rates;*
 - b. Support public awareness initiatives about the importance of vehicle security and the impact of auto theft on insurance premiums;*
 - c. Strengthen cooperation with law enforcement agencies by sharing data that could assist in identifying theft trends and potentially stolen vehicles;*



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Halton Police Board urges other police service boards across Canada to echo this call for action, facilitating a united, national approach to tackling auto theft.

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Hon. David Lametti, Federal Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, the Hon. Marco Mendicino, Federal Minister of Public Safety, the Hon. Bill Blair, Federal Minister of Emergency Preparedness, the Hon. Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario, the Hon. Michael Kerzner, Solicitor General of Ontario, Halton MP's and MPP's, Halton Regional Council, the Canadian Automobile Association, the Insurance Bureau of Canada, Équité Association, the Canadian Association of Police Governance and the Ontario Association of Police Boards for their information and action.

Carried.

5. OPERATIONAL VERBAL UPDATES

Operational verbal updates were provided regarding the following:

- Over the Edge fundraising event in Toronto
- Wellness presentation June 14th
- Declaration of Intimate Partner Violence epidemic
- Successful deployment at Burlington Sound of Music Festival
- Recovery of stolen vehicles

6. ACTION REGISTRY

Item Nos. 2.1, 2.2, 4.5, 8.1, 4.1 noted as complete.

6.1 Public Information Action Registry

Moved by: C. Allen

Seconded by: J. McKenna

“THAT the Public Information Action Registry be received.”

Carried.



7. RECEIPT OF PUBLIC CORRESPONDENCE

Moved by: I. Hann
Seconded by: J. McKenna

“THAT the Public Correspondence for June 29, 2023 be received.”

Carried.

8. NEW BUSINESS

There was no other new business.

9. MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Moved by: C. Allen
Seconded by: J. McKenna

“THAT the Board do now convene into closed session.”

Carried.

10. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

The Chair reported that during the closed session, the Board considered legal and personnel matters and motions were approved by the Board regarding these matters.



11. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by: C. Allen
Seconded by: I. Hann

“THAT the Halton Police Board do now adjourn this meeting.”

Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 2:28 p.m.

Jeff Knoll
Chair

Graham Milne
Board Secretary